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SUBJECT: ANTI-US DEMONSTRATIONS

1. THERE HAVE BEEN FIVE COMMUNIST OR LEFTIST-SPONSORED DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST US POLICY IN VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA IN DELHI AND CALCUTTA DURING THE PAST EIGHT DAYS.

2. FOUR OF THE DEMONSTRATIONS TOOK PLACE IN FRONT OF THE USIS BUILDING IN CALCUTTA. TWO -- AN APRIL 3 COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA(MARXIST)(CPM) DEMONSTRATION OF ABOUT 3000 PEOPLE AND AN APRIL 4 COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (CPI) YOUTH WING DEMONSTRATION OF ABOUT 75 PEOPLE-- WERE HELD DURING EARLY EVENING USIS SCREENINGS OF "THE RUSSIANS ARE COMING;" AN APRIL 10 DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY VARIOUS CPM TRADE UNIONS MUSTERED 2,500 PEOPLE IN FRONT OF USIS CALCUTTA.

3. ON APRIL 5 ABOUT 150 PEOPLE REPRESENTING THE DELHI STATE PEACE AND SOCIETY ORGANIZATION, A CPI FRONT, DEMONSTRATED FOR ABOUT ONE HOUR IN FRONT OF THE EMBASSY IN UNCLASSIFIED

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NEW DELHI AND PRESENTED A "MEMORANDUM," WHICH IS BEING

POUCHED TO NEA/INS.

4. A FOURTH DEMONSTRATION IN CALCUTTA APRIL 11 (OF WHICH WE
LEARNED AS THIS MESSAGE WAS BEING TYPED) WAS STAGED BY 70
MEMBERS OF LEFT-WING STUDENT GROUPS BEFORE THE USIS LIBRARY.
THEY UNFURLED THE US FLAG FROM THE USIS FLAGPOLE AND PUT UP THEIR
OWN PARTY FLAG. THE POLICE MADE A LATE CHARGE TO RECOVER THE
US FLAG WHEN THEY SAW AN ATTEMPT WAS BEING MADE TO BURN IT.
15 DEMONSTRATORS WERE ARRESTED. THE DEMONSTRATION WAS UNEXPECTED
AND POLICE ARRIVED ONLY AFTER THE DEMONSTRATORS WERE IN THE
AREA. ALL THE OTHER DEMONSTRATIONS WERE PEACEFUL AND POLICE PRO-
TECTION WAS ADEQUATE.SAXBE

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